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I am forwarding this letter, since I strongly concur with it's premise.

thank you

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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

This letter is in support of the settlement with Microsoft. We must stop wasting money on unnecessary litigation and concentrate our resources on matters that actually need more action. Let's move forward, not backward.

This settlement allows us to go forward and end the waste. Microsoft has agreed not to retaliate against computer makers who ship software that competes with anything in Windows. Plus, Microsoft has agreed to design future versions of Windows so that computer makers and consumers can easily promote non-Microsoft software within Windows. Finally, Microsoft has agreed not to enter into agreements with other companies to promote any Windows technology exclusively. All these will be enforced by a new federal government commission.

The most impressive aspect of the settlement is that it even applies to Microsoft products that were not at issue in the lawsuit. This agreement is fair and reasonable, and it will clearly prevent future anticompetitive behavior. We must accept this settlement and allow the IT industry to concentrate on business as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

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